

# SENATE BILL No. 216

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-30-3-15.5.

**Synopsis:** St. Joseph River basin commission. Allows a member of the St. Joseph River basin commission (commission) to: (1) be counted for purposes of a quorum; and (2) participate in any final action of the commission; if the member participates by an electronic means that allows simultaneous communication between the members and the public attending the meeting. Provides that the provisions governing electronic meetings by state agencies also apply to the commission's electronic meetings.

**Effective:** July 1, 2015.

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January 6, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 14-30-3-15.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: **Sec. 15.5. (a) The definitions in**  
4 **IC 5-14-1.5 apply to this section.**  
5 **(b) A commission member may participate in a meeting by an**  
6 **electronic means that allows:**  
7 **(1) all participating members; and**  
8 **(2) all members of the public who are physically present at the**  
9 **meeting;**  
10 **to simultaneously communicate with each other. The member shall**  
11 **be considered present for purposes of establishing a quorum and**  
12 **may participate in any final action taken at the meeting.**  
13 **(c) The provisions of:**  
14 **(1) IC 5-14-1.5-3.5; and**  
15 **(2) IC 5-14-1.5-3.6, which applies to meetings of state**  
16 **agencies;**



1      **apply to a meeting of the commission described in this section.**

